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THE PRESIDENT is in favor of immediate resumption and thinks it can now be done easily.

TOPEKA, Kas., January 31.—The legislature to-day elected Col. Plumb as United States senator.

ROLLAND, the bank robber, has been returned to his old quarters in the Chambersburg jail. He was met at the depot by a crowd of several hundred persons.

THE AMOUNT paid by the State for services of the County School Superintends for the past year was \$71,000.00. Isn't this about \$71,599.99 more than their services are really worth to the cause of education?

THE HOUSE COMMITTEE at Harrisburg has reported a bill, by a close vote, 11 to 9, authorizing the people of Pennsylvania to vote on the subject of the sale of liquors in the respective counties of the Commonwealth. This is the local option law of three years ago with some changes.

A Good Move.

Representative Sherwood, of Northumberland county, has introduced a bill in the house reducing the compensation of members of the legislature from \$1,000 to \$700. The bill also makes reductions in the salaries of employees—in those of the chief clerks, \$500 and resident clerk \$500. Transcribing clerks are allowed \$600 in the bill and pastors and folders \$500.

JUDGE CARPENTER, before whom was argued the case of Peter Smith, a negro convict pardoned by Chamberlain, and detained in prison on the ground that Chamberlain had no authority to exercise the pardoning power, not being the legal governor of South Carolina, has decided that neither Chamberlain nor Hampton was duly inaugurated governor, and that Chamberlain consequently holds over until his successor qualifies in due form. The case will be appealed to the Supreme Court, where a similar question is now pending.

THE joint electoral convention convened on Thursday, and counted the votes of the States of Alabama, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut and Delaware. No objection was offered until the vote of Florida was reached, when three sets of certificates were opened and read. Each set was objected to, and one of the Republican electors was challenged as ineligible. The matter was then referred to the electoral tripartite committee, which met and heard argument of counsel on the subject.—No decision will probably be reached for several days.

THE PRESIDENT has decided not to interfere in the Louisiana case, except to keep the peace, until after the Presidential question has been finally settled. He says the settlement of the latter question will, in his opinion, render clear the question as to who is entitled to the Governorship of Louisiana.

He says both parties in that State are behaving remarkably well, and he has no cause to complain on that score. He has no doubt but that the statue quo will be maintained until the final decision is made; but should it be otherwise, should either party break the peace, he will order Gen. Augur to take charge of the State until he shall have decided the question of governorship.

New Postage Stamps.

The probability now is that we shall soon have a change in the quality of our postage stamps, rendering it impossible for them to be "washed." From the present style of three-cent stamps the canceling marks are easily erased by acid and the government has been trying for a long time to obtain some ink for printing stamps which will absorb the canceling ink so that it cannot be erased. The department has under trial a new kind of mucilage, which is said to be an improvement on that now in use. The new adhesive compound is the invention of a chemist in New York. The contracts for the manufacture of stamps ex-

pire shortly, and the department desire to examine all improvements before they are renewed. Postmaster General Tyner in his recent report to Congress says he believes that postal revenue to the amount of over \$1,000,000 would be saved to the government if there was no use of three-cent stamps a second time. This estimate is doubtless a little high, but that the business of washing these stamps is carried on to some extent, there is but little doubt.

A COSTLY INSTITUTION!

By reference to the Auditor General's Report for 1876, transmitted to the Legislature at the opening of the present session, pages 92, 93 and 94, it will be seen that the expenses for building addition to the Office of Internal Affairs, and furnishing the same for the year ending November 30, 1876, was as follows:

Peter Bernheisel, Jr., for building addition.	\$15,292 16
Peter Bernheisel, Jr., for Extra work done in office.	9,712 30
J. D. & A. J. Marsh for heating apparatus.	3,088 00
Bergstresser & Boyd for work on building.	170 20
C. A. Spicer for work on office.	29 55
A. H. Houck for material furnished and work done.	274 60
Marshbank & Co., for material furnished and work done.	1,759 68
National Covering Company for work on office.	158 55
National Covering Company for covering pipes and boilers in office.	140 60
Marshbank & Co., for material furnished.	322 05
Owens & Kehr for laying pavement around office.	785 00
Furniture as follows:	
Fagan & Maeyer for furniture.	148 08
C. C. Hooper for furniture.	1,489 25
Crengmille & Co., Carpets, Matting, &c.	1,973 30
Charles P. Milken, Drapery.	591 00
Samuel Adams, Chandlery.	500 00
L. M. Simon for services as Architect, (mind the 90 cents item.)	947 99
Total.	\$17,432 30
Add to this, as seen on page 78, the salaries of Secretary, clerks, and contingent expenses.	\$1,158 03
Grand Total.	\$18,590 33

The Report of the Auditor General for 1875 page 104, shows that P. Bernheisel, Jr. was paid in that year \$16,067, for building addition to this same office and that L. M. Simon was also paid \$888.88 (what a coincidence of figures) for services as architect on the same. It might be interesting to add that Mr. Simon also got (as per same report) \$3,886.63 for services as architect page 93, for repairs to the hall of the House of Representatives for 1876. It seems to be a very nice thing to belong to "the Harrisburg ring," and from the above it is evident that there is a ring, which takes very good care of itself. Some of these charges are simply outrageous, and it can hardly be expected that any person would look at these items and think that the services charged for, were honestly rendered. The Auditor General estimates that the State has lost \$100,000 the past five or six years through dishonest county officials and conniving clerks in the departments.

After looking over the above, most persons will think the Auditor General might extend his list of sources by which the State is swindled.

The Continental Life.

The receiver of the Continental Life insurance company, of New York, filed his report in the supreme court of Kings county, January 29. He states the company's liabilities at \$2,863,197, and its assets at \$5,028,801, of which 30 per cent. are valueless. During his term of office the receiver collected and disbursed \$102,022. He is unable to explain an item of \$1,000,004 "open accounts of agents." There is another item of \$254,854 against the Empire Mutual life insurance company, which retired from business some time ago, "and has no assets to meet this claim."

Meeting of Methodists.

At a meeting of Methodist ministers in New York on Tuesday last, the question "Is there any cause to have evangelists among us?" was discussed at great length, many powerful addresses being made. The room was crowded with anxious listeners.

Dr. Kittell argued there was no necessity for either revivals or evangelists, and that they did more harm than good. The idea of sudden sanctification he regarded as absurd. Dr. Scudder held similar views. Dr. Crooks thought evangelism had done much for Christianity, and its principles are good.

Dr. Curry said evangelists and missionaries are almost similar. The great work has been done by them for the church, but a pastor should be an evangelist. Many evangelists do good abroad who could work no good at home owing to their character. Weeping, singing and mesmeric evangelists he deplored.—They pass over districts like fire over prairies and leave nothing but ruin behind.

A Train's Narrow Escape.

WAVERLEY, N. Y., January 28.—The lightning express on the Erie Railway had a narrow escape from destruction near this place at about 11 o'clock last night. The train was traveling at a high rate of speed when the engineer saw a red lamp swinging violently at a short distance ahead. He whistled down brakes, and the train was brought to a standstill as soon as possible. Less than

half a length of the train ahead the engineer saw some large object lying across the track. Investigation revealed the fact that two large ties, or logs, had been chained securely to the rails, making an obstruction that would have thrown the train down the bank, and resulted in fearful loss of life. The logs had been discovered by a track walker just in time to hurry back and warn the train, which he knew was then about due. The obstruction had been placed on the track within an hour, as the watchman had made his rounds at that time, and the track was clear.

As soon as the logs were removed the train moved on, and was under good headway, when the engineer discovered that he was off the main track, and on a blind switch, which had evidently been turned by the same persons who placed the logs on the rails. Before the train could be stopped six cars were thrown from the track. The passengers were greatly alarmed, but no one was hurt.

This train carries nightly many thousands of dollars in the safes of the United States Express Company, and is always heavily loaded with passengers.

A Charlie Ross Case in New York.

John Kain, aged six years, the son of a wealthy butcher doing business in Centre street, New York, was abducted by a strange man last Tuesday. It appears that the boy attended school at the Church of Transfiguration, a short distance from his residence. At noon recess he comes home for a short time.—Tuesday at noon he failed to appear and his father made inquiries which resulted in the discovery that he had been seen by school mates going away with a stranger, who offered him an inducement in the shape of money to accompany him. The school boys could give no description of the stranger. The child was dressed in a small ulster overcoat, round Derby hat, dark knee pants and dark striped stockings. The same stranger has often been seen around the school offering inducements to other children to accompany him.

The child was found Wednesday, stripped of his overcoat, for which he had been stolen.

New Cure for Diphtheria.

A little son of Mr. Jeremiah Kelley, of Hughesville, says the Williamsport daily *Gazette & Bulletin* of last week who has been dangerously ill with diphtheria was successfully treated by inhaling the fumes of slackened lime, last week and is now out of danger. A small piece of lime was placed in a cup and the fumes conveyed to the mouth of the child through a funnel with a long tube. It is said that in a short time after the treatment a large lump of tough mucus was discharged from the throat, after which the little fellow at once commenced to get better.

A friend writes to the German-town *Telegraph* that after the heavy fall of snow and sleet in December, a peacock disappeared, but after twelve days and eighteen hours, he found the head of the bird sticking up through a snow-drift. He had sat down just at dark in a place sheltered from the storm, which had driven him from his accustomed roost. In attempting to take him up after having removed the snow, he found his long and beautiful tail frozen to the ground. This it was that prevented him from releasing himself. He has been apparently well ever since, notwithstanding his long fast, save lameness from his legs so long bent, it is supposed.

Triplets Celebrate Their Birthday.

On the 12th of February a remarkable meeting will take place in Macon, Ga. Triplet brothers, sixty years old, will meet and go out to an older brother's in Jones county, and celebrate their birthday by prayer and preaching.—These brothers are Jesse, Tom and Ben Hammond. They are triplets, born nearly sixty years ago. Jesse lives in Mississippi, Thomas in Jasper county, Ga., and Ben in Upson county, Ga.

A Heavy Robbery.

A peddler called at the house of S. S. Chalfant, near Thornville, O., on Friday evening, and obtained permission to lodge over night. During the night he chloroformed the entire family and ransacked the house, carrying off \$900 in cash and \$85,000 in bonds. The robber was traced to Lancaster, but he has not been apprehended.

A Stray Ballot-box from Ohio.

A letter from the Eastern Shore, Md., says: An oyster shipper at Franklin, some weeks past, received in one of his empty oyster boxes a ballot-box from Ohio, sealed and locked. The box on being opened, showed a large majority of ballots for the Democratic ticket.

NEW YORK, February 1.—Early this morning a terrible murder was committed at Egbertsville, a small settlement about half a mile west of New Dorp, Staten Island. Patrick Dolan, an Irish

laborer, awakened his mother about three o'clock this morning and without warning, killed her with some blunt instrument. He then attacked his sister and beat her so shockingly that her death is expected. Dolan was lodged in the county jail by neighbors who heard the cries and interfered.

LEBANON, Pa., Jan. 31.—John Longenecker, an employee at the Lebanon rolling mill, was this morning caught in some of the machinery of that establishment and instantly killed. He leaves a wife and four children.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., January 30.—General John McDonald, of whiskey fraud fame, received an unconditional pardon yesterday and was immediately released from the penitentiary at Jefferson City.

Courbet, the man who has been condemned for murdering a woman in the Rue Taibout, in Paris, to twenty years imprisonment, has addressed a letter to the President of the court, imploring that the sentence should be changed to one of death. He declared that a person guilty of such a crime as his is not worthy to live.

Miscellaneous News Items.

The Paris papers have accounts of an American railway accident "on the wooden bridge near Ash Sabula on Salt Lake."

John Dig, of Colorado, has married no less than six wives during the last two years, and in each case Dig has dug out and left them.

Mrs. Rudolph Fritsche fell on the ice at Bainbridge, Lancaster county, and fractured her skull. She died a few hours afterward.

A carload of hogs that had died from cholera arrived at Mayville Friday a week for reshipment to Cincinnati to be manufactured into soap, and yet soap will be no cheaper.

Eleven merchants on Penn street, Reading, and all in one square, have announced their intention to move in the spring on account of the high rents demanded by their landlords.

The other day a gentleman performed the astonishing feat of driving a four-in-hand with a double-seated sleigh containing four persons, from Bloomsburg to Danville, a distance of ten miles, in 38½ minutes.

A Newark child tumbled out of the second story window, and the mother, running to gather it up, pitched headlong down stairs and was knocked into a state of unconsciousness. The youngster was unhurt.

A prominent common pleas judge, up the country, recently mistook himself in a large mirror for his brother William, and rushing up to shake hands shattered the "reflector" to atoms. Probably he was better acquainted with a glass—of Bourbon.

Early on Saturday evening of the 27th ult., two masked burglars attempted to rob the house of Mr. Danforth, at Buskirk's Bridge, near Troy, N. Y. Mr. Danforth resisted, and the burglars attempted to murder him, but they were overpowered and arrested by neighbors.

A Hazleton landlord, whose tenant was utterly unable to pay his rent, went on Friday a week and took the outer door away, leaving the family, of whom several are very young, to suffer from the blasts of winter, says the *Miner's Journal*. Why was not the name of the inhuman monster given that all might know and shun him?

Pope's couplet—that all know.
No goose so gray but soon or late,
She'll find some honest gender for her mate."

Proved true last week at Marietta, Pa., when Mrs. Girl, a widow of seventy, married a youth of twenty. Her parents opposed the match, but the girl thought she was old enough to decide for herself. We should think so.

At St. Louis, Tuesday morning, at the Comique Theatre, William Wiener, the night watchman, accused A. N. Lawrence, assistant barkeeper, of making some disparaging remark about him to the head barkeeper, which Lawrence denied, whereupon Wiener shot him in the neck, killing him almost instantly. Wiener is under bonds for attempting to kill his wife a few weeks ago.

A gang of alleged fire insurance policy swindlers has been broken up in New York by the arrest of Wm. S. Hale, of Plainfield, N. J. The swindling firm, of which the accused was a member, was that of Hale, Whitney, Potter & Co., having offices at No. 176 Broadway.

Henrietta Grinnell, a servant in the employ of John O. Magie, at Elizabeth, N. J., attempted to murder the whole family on Monday a week by putting arsenic in their milk. Five persons were made very sick, and one is still very low, but there have been no fatal consequences as yet. Henrietta was arrested.

A crazy man, named Harrison Turner, at Corral Hill, Crawford county, deliberately fired upon Milton Anderson, a tenant upon his mother's farm, with a loaded musket killing him almost instantly. Shortly afterward he reloaded the musket and putting the muzzle under his chin pressed the trigger and blew the whole top of his head off.

PHILADELPHIA, January 30.—This evening as John Pye and John Keegan were returning from work they encountered Samuel Ewing and James Keenan at Eighteenth and Wharton streets, both drunk. A dispute arose which ended in Pye drawing a chisel from his pocket and running it into the head of Ewing, producing a wound which resulted in instant death. Keenan was also cut with a chisel but his injuries are not dangerous. Pye and Keenan were arrested.

Nicholas Keyck, who was assaulted with an axe in New York on Saturday night, January 13, by his son George, died a few evenings since in Bellevue Hospital from fractured skull, the result of the blows. The father was drunk and beating

his wife, when the son interfered. He claims that he used the axe in self-defence.

The Boston "Herald" says: Mr. Charles Keith, of Mattapoisett, has been for several years almost totally blind, being unable to distinguish anything further than the difference between day and night. Yet he saw all the wood burned by the family, does chores about the house, and has the sole care of the garden, where the vegetables are planted in rows as straight as anybody's and the weeds are kept under thorough control. A few days ago he was at work patching the roof of the house. His age is about 75 years.

A traveller packed himself and a great quantity of baggage into a stage in Oroville, Cal. The vehicle was so loaded that he had barely room to squeeze himself in; but he lit his pipe, and prepared to endure the hardship of a journey under such circumstances. The straw under his feet caught fire from the pipe, and instantly the stage was in flames. He got out with difficulty, the baggage hindering him, and was fatally burned. The stage was consumed.

The supreme court of the United States decided, Monday a week, in the case of some town officers in Illinois, whose resignation had been accepted, but whose successors had not been appointed and qualified, that they had not ceased to be such officers, and were therefore compelled to audit a certain judgment. Some interest was felt in this case, as it was believed to have a bearing on that of Watts, the Oregon postmaster and elector.

Gen. A. J. Pleasanton, originator and strenuous advocate of the theory that blue glass, interposed between the sun and anything that grows, has a wonderfully stimulating effect, says that he has just had a new proof that he is right. He fell from his carriage in Philadelphia, where he lives, and severely injured his shoulder and side. Physicians gave him no relief; but he was cured by taking sun baths under blue glass.

Some sheep belonging to a farmer named Reed having been stolen in the neighborhood of a colliery village in Durham, Eng., while the thief was still undiscovered, a local preacher, having a collection to make, thought he would turn the event to a good account; so he said: "We have a collection to make this morning, and for the glory of God, whichever of you stole Mr. Reed's sheep don't put anything on the plate!" Of course everybody joined in the collection.

A discouraged man in Virginia City wrote to his landlady: "I am tired of life, and will blow out my brains in the cemetery to-night. My rent is paid up to the 8th. I do this because life has become a burden to me." He started to the cemetery, carrying the loaded gun with which he intended to kill himself. On the way across the field he encountered a savage dog, and used all his ammunition in defending himself against the brute. That incident seems to have changed his mind about life being a burden, and he still lives.

A cruel hoax was recently perpetrated on two members of the Hebrew community who presented themselves at the Synagogue in Birmingham, Eng., to be married. The ceremony was interrupted by the arrival of a telegram to the rabbi informing him that the bridegroom was already married and had two children. The bride was removed in a fainting condition, and the bridegroom was chased through the streets by a mob, who saluted him with "a shower of stones and mud." Investigation has since proved that the telegram was a forgery, and the wedding will take place after all.

The Lock Haven *Democrat* says, John Bell, on Upper Jerry's Run, Cameron county, where he has a log camp, has in his possession eight live deer, one a fine buck, which he captured alive by running them down. He captured four inside of three hours and a half. The snow is so deep that deer cannot run, and Mr. Bell caught them by using snow shoes in the chase. He had a severe struggle with the buck which showed fight. By means of a noose thrown over his head, and through skill and main strength, he got the buck choked and down and after tying him to a tree, got his legs tied, and then got him on a bush and hauled his game into camp. When he captured the four he had to go back to camp for help to bring in the animals.

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